

Serial No.

REMARKS

Claims 1 - 17 were filed in the original application.

Claims 1 - 17 have been amended to remove multiple dependencies.

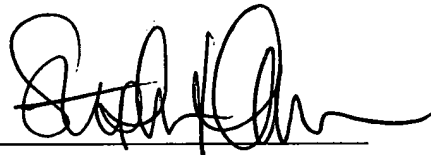
Accordingly, Claims 1-17 remain pending in the application.

The application is thus believed to be in proper form for favorable examination on the merits.

Corresponding action is respectfully solicited.

PTO is authorized to charge any additional fees incurred as a result of the filing hereof or credit any overpayment to our account #02-0900.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Stephen J. Holmes', written over a horizontal line.

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